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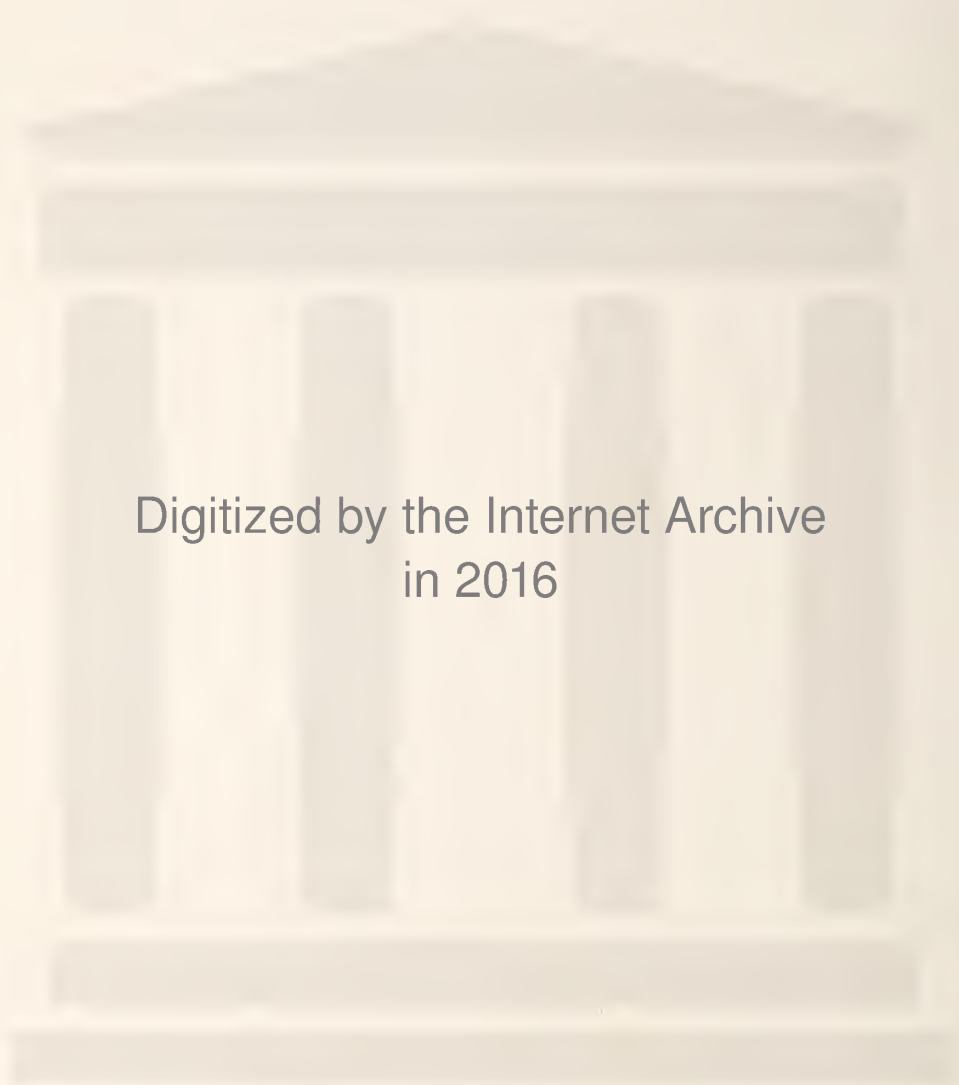
1939

Lynn F. Moore



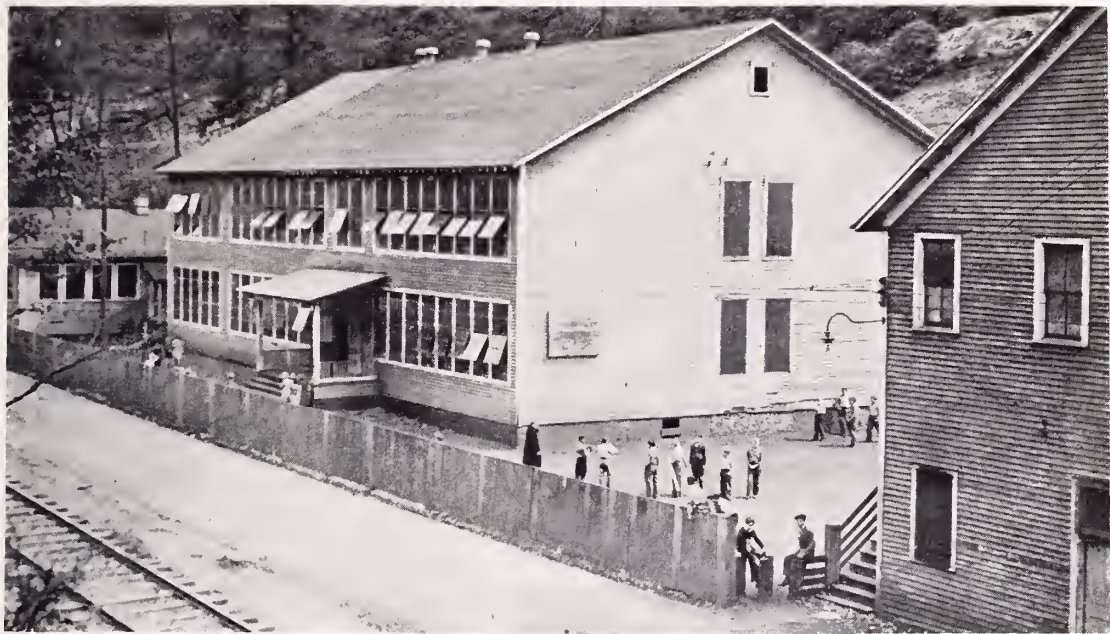
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Dante, Virginia.

Dedication

The Senior Class takes great pleasure in dedicating "THE SPECTATOR" of '39 to Miss Elizabeth Brewer Muse whom we all love for her sense of fair play and kindly guidance throughout the three years we have been with her. Her frankness and willingness to lend a helping hand have won Miss Muse a host of friends. No teacher has ever been more highly esteemed in the hearts of the members of the Senior Class than she.



Foreword

Our grandparents could only dream. They had no book of memories, such as we have, to bring back vivid pictures. If "THE SPECTATOR" justifies its publication, all who possess it will derive great pleasure from its contents.



Faculty

Mr. Lynn F. Moore.....Principal

Miss Mable Campbell

Miss Elizabeth Muse

Mr. G. T. Coleman

Miss Polly Rader

Mr. R. F. Ferguson

Miss Margaret Stephenson

Miss Rosa Gray

Miss Louise Weaks

Miss Henrietta Hargis

Mrs. Elsie Weaver

Miss Nannie Lou Jessee

Miss Marguarite Wohlford

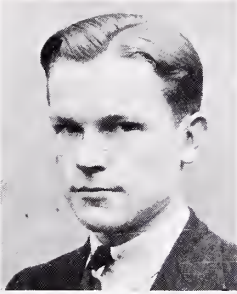
Miss Anne Montgomery

Miss Lillian Woods

Seniors

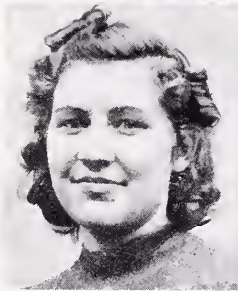
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President Senior Class '39.
Dramatic Club. Basketball.
Student Executive Board.



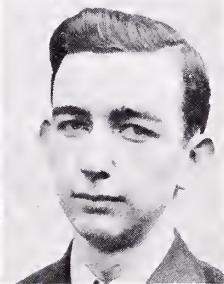
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Vice President Senior Class
'39. Student Executive Board.
DANTE HI NEWS. Home Ec. Club.



MARGARET LITTON

Secretary-Treasurer Senior
Class '39. Lark Literary
Society. DANTE HI NEWS.

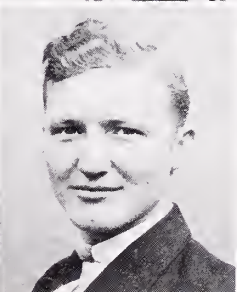


GRACE BELLAMY

Senior Class Reporter '39.
Lark Literary Society. Glee
Club. Home Ec. Club.

MYERS FOX

Sergeant-at-Arms Senior
Class '39. Baseball. Bas-
ketball. Monogram Club.



BILL STEFFEY

Student Representative Se-
nior Class '39. Baseball.
Delegate to State S. C. A.

Seniors

LUCILLE ALLEN
Larks. Basketball. Mono-
gram Club. Dramatic Club.

L. C. AMBURGEY
Lyceum Literary Society.
Left Over Society.

JOHN ANDERSON
Dramatic Club. Basketball.
Student Executive Board.

JENNIE ASHBROOK
Lark Literary Society. So-
cial Club. Glee Club.

LYDIA RHEA BARKER
Larks. Monogram Club. Stu-
dent Rep. Dramatic Club.

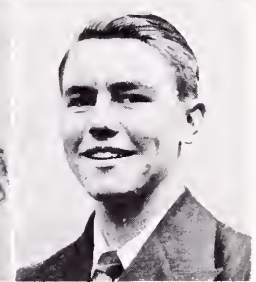
ELIZABETH CARTY
Basketball. Left Over So-
ciety. Home Ec. Club.

FRANCES DOOLEY
Basketball. Merry Maidens.
Glee Club. Social Club.

MARIE ERVIN
Merry Maidens Society.
Home Economics Club.

NEITA ERVIN
Merry Maidens Society.
Home Economics Club.

FRED FOXX
Basketball. Baseball. Mono-
gram Club. Dramatic Club.



Seniors



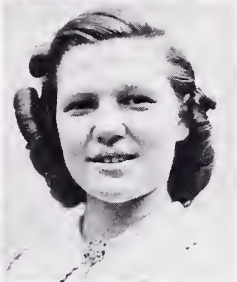
LORA HALE
Merry Maidens Society.
Home Economics Club.



TAVA HALE
Merry Maidens. Home Ec.
Club. Larks. Left Overs.



BILL HENEGAR
Mgr. Baseball. Student Rep.
Monogram Club. Left Overs.



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Merry Maidens Society.
Treasurer Junior Class.



DOROTHY SMITH
Larks. Basketball. Glee
Club. DANTE HI NEWS.



HAZEL SOUTH
Merry Maidens. Business
Manager THE SPECTATOR.



HOWARD SPROLES
THE SPECTATOR. Dantine
Literary Society. Lyceum.



ADA STICKLEY
Larks. Monogram Club. THE
SPECTATOR. Student Ex. Bd.



MABLE THOMAS
Larks. Home Ec. Club.
Basketball. Dramatic Club.



MARGARET TURNER
Larks. Student Ex. Board.
Dramatic Club. Basketball.



Juniors

President.....	Henry Kinser
Vice President.....	Mary E. Thompson
Secretary-Treasurer.....	E. W. Gillenwater
Reporter.....	Thelma Turner
Student Rep.....	Buford Ring

Harless Ballard
 Lowell Baker
 Tom Blackstone
 Clair Childress
 Frances Cooper
 Ruth Crowder
 Oletha Elam
 Edith Elliot
 E. W. Gillenwater
 Virginia Greer
 Betty Gyetvay
 Carolyn Hale
 Bob Harr

Annie Hartley
 Beatrice Holbrook
 Retha M. Holbrook
 Robert Holbrook
 Thelma Holbrook
 Conrid Keith
 Henry Kinser
 Marie Lucas
 R. C. Meade
 Ferman Penland
 Charlie Pientka
 Edith Puckett

Buford Ring
 Marie Ring
 Alex Sabo
 Harold Salyer
 Gladys Smith
 Hubert Steffey
 Billy South
 Jack Sublette
 Roy Talbert
 Mary E. Thompson
 Thelma Turner
 Louise Wood



Sophomore

President.....	Stella Litton
Vice President.....	Alice Dickenson
Secretary-Treasurer.....	Virginia Meade
Reporter.....	Eileen Palmer
Student Rep.....	Ruth Castle

Donald Baker
 Vivian Barnette
 Ruby Bellamy
 Mary Blackstone
 Lottie Browning
 Thelma Browning
 Gladys Buckles
 Ruth Castle
 Evelyn Carty
 Alice Dickenson
 Maret Dinsmore
 Cupid Dooley

Lee Elam
 Marjorie Flœnor
 Drucilla Griffith
 Jim Harr
 Ruth Kasefang
 Henry King
 Nannie K. King
 Nola M. King
 Biddy J. Kiser
 Glenn Litton
 Stella Litton
 Ruth McCoy
 Mildred McCurry

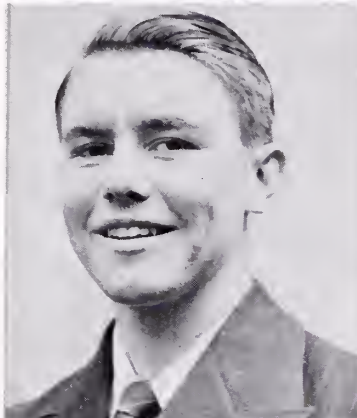
Vena Musick
 Nellie Nash
 Harry Owen
 Eileen Palmer
 Geneva Palmer
 Virginia Pientka
 Mary M. Purcell
 Martha A. Shelley
 Beatrice Salyer
 Anna Ruth Shell
 Betty South
 Bill Wolfe



Freshmen

President.....Barbara Wise
 Vice President.....Tanner Hall
 Secretary.....Lois Parrott
 Treasurer.....Adam Cooley
 Reporter.....Elizabeth Fox
 Student Rep.....David Anderson

Adkins	Dickenson	Litton	Ring
Allen	Dixon	McCown	Sabo
Amburgey	Fox	McCoy	Salyer
Amburgey	Gordon	Meade	Salyer
Amos	Greer	Mullins	Shelley
Anderson	Greer	Nickels	Smith
Bailey	Hale	Nickols	Smith
Bailey	Hale	Noe	South
Bartee	Hall	Noe	Sproles
Bowling	Hall	Noe	Sproles
Bukowinski	Hartley	Osborne	Sproles
Carter	Henegar	Parrott	Stone
Chaffin	Hicks	Parrott	Suite
Clark	Hillman	Phillips	Suite
Chaffin	Holbrook	Pickett	Thomas
Colvard	Horne	Pilkington	Townes
Cooley	Kasefang	Pilkington	Turner
Crowder	King	Popp	Wise
Culbertson	Kiser	Ramey	Worley



Most Beautiful Girl

Margaret Litton

Most Athletic Boy

Fred Foxx

Most Worthwhile Girl

Elizabeth Horne

Most Handsome Boy

Jim Stewart

Most Athletic Girl

Lucille Allen

Most Worthwhile Boy

Howard Sproles

Boy Most Likely to Succeed

Jim Stewart

Girl Most Likely to Succeed

Margaret Litton

Student with Most Personality

John Anderson

Who's

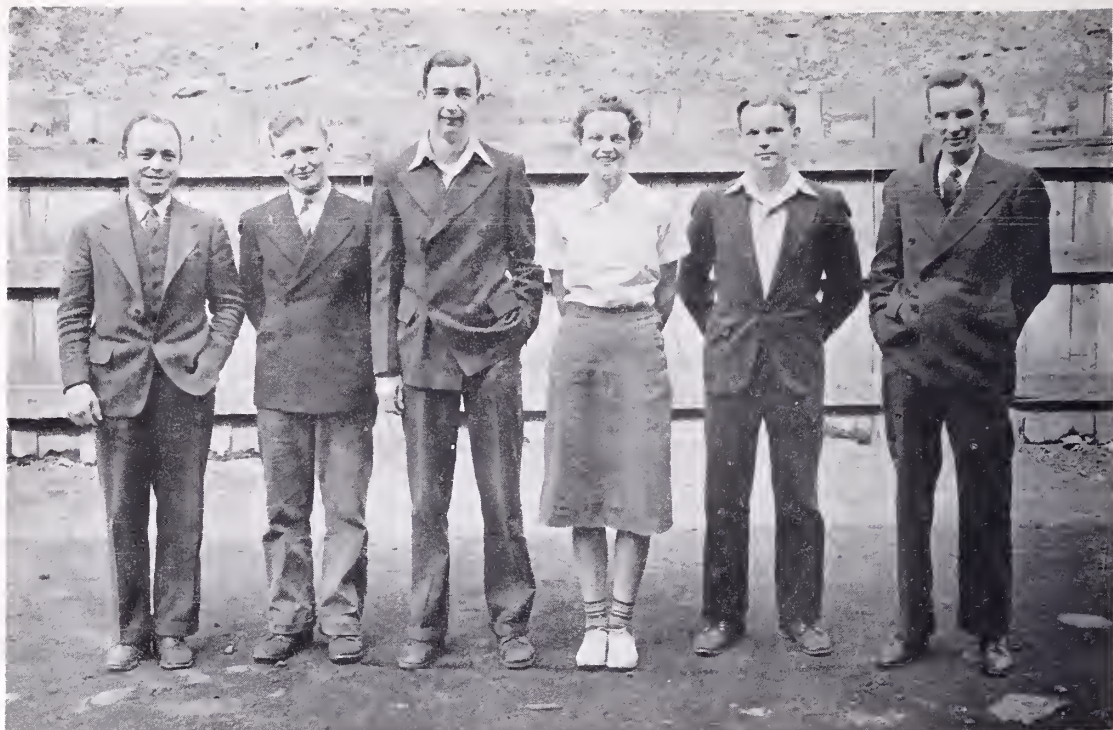
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SPECTATOR STAFF

Editor-in-Chief.....Lydia Rhea Barker
Assistant Editor.....Ada Stickley
Athletic Editor.....Myers Fox
Photograph Editor.....Howard Sproles
Assistant Photograph Editor.....Margaret A. Turner
Business Manager.....Hazel South
Assistant Business Manager.....Jim Stewart
Advertising Manager.....John Anderson
Assistant Advertising Manager.....Elizabeth Carty
Circulation Manager.....Fred Foxx
Assistant Circulation Manager.....Bill Steffey

DANTE HI NEWS STAFF

Editor-in-Chief.....Margaret Litton
Assistant Editor.....John Anderson
Business Manager.....Mable Thomas
Assistant Business Manager.....Dorothy Smith
Circulation Manager.....Manthalee McCown
Boy's Sports Editor.....Myers Fox
Girl's Sports Editor.....Elizabeth Carty
Senior Reporter.....Grace Bellamy
Joke Editor.....Fred Foxx



Coach Basketball and Baseball.....G. T. Coleman
 Coach Girl's Basketball.....R. F. Ferguson
 Manager Basketball.....Bill Steffey
 Captain Girl's Basketball.....Lucille Allen
 Captain Boy's Basketball.....Jim Stewart
 Captain Baseball.....Myers Fox

ATHLETICS

Although the Dante Girl's basketball squad hasn't had the advantages of other schools in the county it has taken the Russell County Championship for four consecutive years. In '39 Dante placed three girls on the All-Tournament team. They were Lucille Allen, Marie Ring, and Elizabeth Carty. Gladys Smith was given honorary mention.

The boys participated in both basketball and baseball. In '38 they came up for second place in the county baseball league. In '39 they took second place in the basketball tournament and Fred Foxx was placed on the All Tournament team.

To the coaches, Ferguson and Coleman, we extend our sincerest gratitude for their three years of competent work. Ferguson, who never once "let the girls down", and Coleman, who built the boy's teams, will never be forgotten in the hearts of the members of of their teams.



Baseball

Captain.....Myers Fox
 Manager.....Hubert Steffey

Fred Allen
 Lowell Baker
 Harless Ballard
 Tom Blackstone
 Clarence Chaffin
 Junior Dixon
 Fred Foxx
 Myers Fox
 Everett Hillman
 Cecil Noe

Louis Popp
 Charlie Pientka
 Buford Ring
 Howard Sproles
 Alex Sabo
 Harry Sproles
 Bill Steffey
 Hubert Steffey
 Fred Thomas
 Furl Worley



Girls Basketball

Captain.....Lucille Allen

Lucille Allen
Lydia Rhea Barker
Lottie M. Browning
Elizabeth Carty
Frances Dooley
Marie Ring

Dorothy Smith
Gladys Smith
Ada Stickley
Mable Thomas
Mary E. Thompson
Margaret Turner

1938 Schudle

Dante 53 St. Paul 28
Dante 19 Tazewell 20
Dante 48 Cleveland 22
Dante 22 Castlewood 14
Dante 20 Norton 42
Dante 32 Lebanon 12
Dante 46 Honaker 15

Dante 30 Cleveland 8
Dante 15 Castlewood 14
Dante 27 Lebanon 30
Dante 26 Dante "Blues" 24
Dante 30 Honaker 7
Dante 37 Lebanon 28
Dante 29 Castlewood 17



Boys Basketball

Captain.....Jim Stewart
 Manager.....Bill Steffey

Fred Allen	Henry Kinser
John Anderson	Henry Meade
Harless Ballard	Buford Ring
Fred Foxx	Jim Stewart
Myers Fox	Fred Thomas
E. W. Gillenwater	Ed Townes

1938 SCHEDULE

Dante 21	St. Paul 13	Dante 21	Cleveland 19
Dante 17	Tazewell 34	Dante 18	Dante "Reds" 9
Dante 14	Cleveland 29	Dante 30	Castlewood 21
Dante 32	Castlewood 9	Dante 23	Lebanon 32
Dante 22	Norton 32	Dante 22	Honaker 12
Dante 21	Lebanon 11	Dante 25	Castlewood 16
Dante 32	Honaker 33	Dante 9	Cleveland 26



Student Executive Board

President.....Bill Steffey

Secretary-Treasurer.....David Anderson

Reporter.....Buford Ring

David Anderson

Margaret Litton

John Anderson

Manthalee McCown

Elizabeth Carty

Buford Ring

Bill Henegar

Bill Steffey

Hazel Kasefang

Jim Stewart

Margaret Turner



Dramatic Club

President.....	Jim Stewart
Vice President.....	Henry Kinser
Secretary.....	John Anderson
Treasurer.....	Mable Thomas
Reporter.....	Margaret Litton
Student Rep.....	Margaret Turner
Sergeant-at-Arms.....	Bill Steffey

Lucille Allen
 David Anderson
 John Anderson
 Lydia Rhea Barker
 Elizabeth Carty
 Evelyn Carty
 Fred Foxx
 Jim Harr
 Hazel Kasefang
 Henry Kinser

Margaret Litton
 R. C. Meade
 Buford Ring
 Bill Steffey
 Jim Stewart
 Ada Stickley
 Mable Thomas
 Mary E. Thompson
 Margaret Turner
 Bill Wolfe



Lark Literary Society

President.....Lydia R. Barker
 Vice President.....Mary M. Purcell
 Secretary.....Margaret Litton
 Treasurer.....Grace Bellamy
 Reporter.....Mary E. Thompson
 Student Rep.....Margaret Litton
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Mable Thomas

Allen	Crowder	Nickles	Stephenson
Ashbrook	Culbertson	Noe	Stickley
Amos	Fleenor	Pickett	Stone
Adkins	Fox	Pientka	Suite
Barker	Greer	Purcell	Suite
Bellamy	Griffith	Shelley	Ramey
Bellamy	Greer	Shelley	Thomas
Browning	Kasefang	Smith	Thompson
Buckles	Litton	Smith	Townes
Bartee	Litton	Smith	Townes
Castle	McCurry	South	Turner
Carty	Mullins	Sproles	Turner
Chaffin			



Merry Maidens Society

President.....Neita Ervin
 Vice President.....Hazel South
 Secretary.....Marie Ring
 Treasurer.....Edith Puckett
 Reporter.....Manthalee McCown
 Student Rep.....Manthalee McCown
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Ruth Crowder

Lottie M. Browning	Lora Hale	Vena Musick
Frances Cooper	Annie Hartley	Geneva Palmer
Ruth Crowder	Beatrice Holbrook	Eileen Palmer
Alice Dickenson	Retha M. Holbrook	Marie Ring
Cupid Dooley	Thelma Holbrook	Betty South
Frances Dooley	Elizabeth Horne	Hazel South
Oletha Elam	Nannie K. King	Thelma Turner
Edith Elliot	Nola M. King	Louise Woods
Marie Ervin	Marie Lucas	Edith Puckett
Neita Ervin	Virginia Meade	Stella Ring
Betty Gyetvay	Manthalee McCown	Lois Parrott
Carolyn Hale		Barbara Wise



Monogram Club

President.....	Lucille Allen
Vice President.....	Henry Kinser
Secretary.....	Fred Foxx
Girl's Student Rep.....	Lydia R. Barker
Boy's Student Rep.....	Bill Henegar

Lucille Allen
 Harless Ballard
 Lydia R. Barker
 Lottie M. Browning
 Elizabeth Carty
 Frances Dooley
 Fred Foxx
 Myers Fox
 Bill Henegar
 Henry Kinser
 Charlie Pientka
 Buford Ring

Marie Ring
 Alex Sabo
 Dorothy Smith
 Gladys Smith
 Bill Steffey
 Jim Stewart
 Ada Stickley
 Billie South
 Mable Thomas
 Mary E. Thompson
 Margaret Turner
 Furl Worley



Home Ec. Club

President.....	Elizabeth Carty
Vice President.....	Mable Thomas
Secretary.....	Grace Bellamy
Treasurer.....	Lucille Allen
Reporter.....	Billie South
Student Rep.....	Elizabeth Carty
Sergeant-at-Arms.....	Frances Dooley

Lucille Allen
 Grace Bellamy
 Elizabeth Carty
 Frances Cooper
 Ruth Crowder
 Frances Dooley
 Oletha Elam
 Edith Elliott
 Marie Ervin
 Neita Ervin
 Carolyn Hale
 Lora Hale
 Tava Hale

Annie Hartley
 Thelma Holbrook
 Retha M. Holbrook
 Manthalee McCown
 Nellie Nash
 Edith Puckett
 Marie Ring
 Dorothy Smith
 Billie South
 Mable Thomas
 Thelma Turner
 Betty Gyetvay
 Miss Stephenson



Left Over Society

President.....	Elizabeth Carty
Vice President.....	L. C. Amburgey
Secretary.....	E. W. Gillenwater
Treasurer.....	Jessie Kiser
Reporter.....	Bill Henegar
Student Rep.....	Anna R. Shell
Sergeant-at-Arms.....	Harless Ballard

L. C. Amburgey
 Nell Amburgey
 Vivian Amos
 Lowell Baker
 Harless Ballard
 Vivian Barnett
 Mary Blackstone
 Tom Blackstone
 Stella Bukowinski
 Claer Childress
 Mildred Carter
 Elizabeth Carty

Ruth Castle
 E.W.Gillenwater
 Drucilla Griffith
 Anna Hale
 Evelyn Hale
 Bill Henegar
 Robert Holbrook
 Ruth Kasefang
 Biddy J. Kiser
 Gaines Kiser
 Jessie Kiser
 Georgia McCown

Ruth McCoy
 Peggy McCoy
 Clara Osborne
 Nell Parrott
 Charlie Pientka
 Anna Pilkington
 Va. Pilkington
 Alex Sabo
 Beatrice Salyer
 Harold Salyer
 Anna R. Shell
 Shirley Turner



Glee Club

President.....	Elizabeth Fox
Vice President.....	Dorothy Pippin
Secretary.....	Nora Linder
Treasurer.....	Eddie Ramsey
Librarian.....	Audrey Phillips

Roy Addington
 Opal Bailey
 Mildred Barker
 Elsie Bellamy
 Sylvester Bolling
 Maxine Carter
 Olga Cassell
 Ann Chaffin
 Charles Dooley
 Anneva Fox

Elizabeth Fox
 Margaret Gordon
 Andrea Greer
 Marie Hall
 Ralph Hartley
 Marvin Hobbs
 Nora Linder
 Elmer Osborne
 Hazel Osborne
 Dorothy Pippin

Audrey Phillips
 Eddie Ramsey
 Tom Ring
 Sam Smith
 Nancy Sproles
 Betty Townes
 Jack Townes
 Nancy Townes
 Jimmie L. Turner
 Lois Wilson

Class History of '39

As we stand for the last time on the threshold of our Alma Mater, let us pause for a moment and gaze back over these short and happy years that have intervened since we first gathered here. The task of the historian, especially of her who must tell as best she can the happenings of her classmates, is both pleasant and difficult, and life today is the history of tomorrow.

The Senior Class of '39 being the largest to have graduated at Dante Central High School, finds fifteen members who entered the primary grades together.

As Freshman we were fired with a friendly enthusiasm that has at times been sadly discouraged and heart broken but never beaten, we have carried on. Being Freshman we felt it our responsibility to start entering into school activities, especially basketball and baseball; so we were out doing our best to help make winning teams. The team won the class tournament. We struggled through our Freshman year; we even survived our first exams, that is, most of us did, for we were determined from the start to be an intellectual class.

Exams alone were responsible for the depleted number that were Sophomores the next year, since the girls had not yet started to mope. We had become acclimated and were beginning to regain some of the self-confidence of which we had been so suddenly deprived as Freshman. During our Sophomore year we studied manners and achieved many things from this study of which we can long be proud. Practically all of the Sophomores belonged to the Social Club which was organized during that year. Elizabeth Carty was our class president.

The Junior year, with Jim Stewart as president, was one of bustling activity, since we had many things to look forward to. We needed money to entertain the Seniors of '38. We decided to let each Junior make a donation. With this we took the Seniors to the Douglas Memorial for the annual Junior-Senior outing. The Dramatic club sponsored a one-act-play which won the trophy in the county tournament at Lebanon, all the characters were taken from our class. Both boys and girls won the class basketball tournament this year.

In 1938, with Jim Stewart reelected president, we came back with all the dignity of our rank, for the mantle of Seniors had fallen upon us. Some of the calves became outstanding in class work, others prominent in athletics, Lucille Allen, Elizabeth Carty, and Fred Fox winning all-tournament metals for Russell County. Consequently, we determined to be a factor in other lines as well. We had jokers, singers, artists, athletes, bookworms, and dumbbells; so we felt that our group was indeed well-rounded. Miss

Muse entertained the Seniors with a semi-formal dance on New Year's Eve, which all the Seniors enjoyed very much. Since we needed money to buy our annuals we gave a play entitled "A Ready Made Family." Needing even more money, we planned an Easter Dance to which the public was invited. The girls won the class tournament for the forth consecutive year.

And now we stand upon the threshold of life; that school where we will have no teacher except experience. The time has arrived for us to leave our Alma Mater, our teachers, and our friends. Leave we must, and should, in spite of our reluctance. But in leaving we pledge our loyalty and gratitude to Danto Central High School and we pledge also to carry her standards, we pledge also to carry standards and ideals with us into the world.

Dorothy Smith

ST. PAUL PHARMACY

WE FILL ANY DOCTOR'S
PRESCRIPTION

DRUGS

MEDICINES

NEW STOCK AND MANAGEMENT

PHONE 63

ST. PAUL

Prophecy Of the Senior Class

Now it came to pass in the year 1939, as I sat among my class-mates in English four class, that the future was opened unto me, and I saw visions of what was to be.

And I looked into the future, and behold a whirlwind came out of space, a great cloud, and a light enfolding itself about me, leaving me in a trance. And behold I looked twenty years hence.

I pick up a newspaper, what is this I see? The President of the United States, Fred Fox, and wife, the former Jennie Ashbrock, have just returned from a pleasure trip to South America. But for goodness sakes don't get the idea that Fred is for all pleasure and no work, because he is really a splendid President.

Reading about old friends and class mates makes me curious to find out what has happened to all my class mates of '39. Twenty years is quite a long time, but I hardly believe it impossible to succeed in such a venture.

I think I will visit Mr. and Mrs. Fox. Perhaps they can guide me to the ones I wish to find. When I arrive in Washington, I am disappointed to find the President and his wife are too busy with national affairs to talk with me.

I think I will stroll down the street and forget this silly business of finding old friends. My! Whats that? An ambulance in that hurry? What! an airplane wreck? Who is this running up the street allsobs and tears? Some one flings her arms about my neck!. The lady must be crazy. Well, well, if it isn't Manthales McCown. And why the weeping? Oh, now I understand. Her husband is in that ambulance and he was in an airplane wreck. I hail a taxi and we rush to the hospital. Manthale, who is your husband? John Anderson? Oh, he was the pilot? Well we had better rush. At last we arrive at the hospital.

There comes a nurse. I'll find out about John. Mr. Anderson, is he all right? What a narrow escape! Why, Miss Carty, what a surprise. Imagine Elizabeth Carty, caring for the sick. I thought she would have been married long ago. Elizabeth informs me that Hazel South and Margaret Litton were hostesses on the wrecked plane, but were not seriously injured. There comes a nurse and doctor down the hall. I recognize the nurse as Francis Dooley. The doctor is none other than Jim Stewart, and I find the reason he has never married is that he loves all women so well he can't make up his mind which one to choose for a wife.

Well this is a good start. Now where can I find the others. Here's a Beauty Parlor. I think I'll get a facial. Hello, who is this? Are you the operator? Dorothy Smith, I hardly reconized you. You have certainly changed! I am trying to find what has happened to all our Seniors. Do

you happen to hand out information concerning friends of the past?

Say, isn't this a movie actress' picture? Is it Lora Hale? Really, I never thought of her as being a movie star. She has grown so beautiful!

Is it true Myers Fox has become a minister? I must attend his church some day and hear one of his famous sermons.

All this brings back memories of my old home town. I think I'll go back to Dante and see what is happening there.

I return with great happiness. Someone has had all the houses painted. Who is so ambitious? I look around and see Tava Hale staring at me. Tava, what are you doing now? Teaching Home Economics at Dante Central High School? By the way, who is the principal? Bill Steffey? And has he actually married Violet Turner? Well, what more could we expect.

I go up the street and meet a familiar little man. He rins and asks me if I remember him; but of course I remember him; he is Bill H. H. H. He sits around bragging about the wonderful job he is doing as general manager of Dante, which accounts for the houses being painted.

Who lives in that charming little house over there? Two old maids? What are their names? Why, I can't believe it, Lydia Rhoe Barker and Ada Stickley! It surely seems impossible, yet it must be true.

I think I'll go up this street, which was once Bear Wallow, to see what is going on. That voice sounds familiar, but perhaps a little shrill. I turn in time to see Habel Thomas throwing dishes at her departing husband. I dare not go closer because I don't want to get tangled up in that family affair.

I think I'll find out who lives here. A woman with several children turning to her skirt comes out the door. It certainly looks strange to see Neita Ervin surrounded by children. Neita tells me that she is married to L. D. Amburgay, who is coal loader. Neita says Marie Ervin also lives in Dante, but, my time is limited so I can't visit her. I go in to lunch with Neita and see a book lying on the table. The title is "Loves Old Sweet Story," it certainly is surprise to discover the Author is Lucille Allen.

There's a circus in Dante, I think I'll look into it. The circus seems to be a good one. I hear someone behind me yelling, "Peanuts and cracker Jacks 5¢." I turn to see Howard Sproles. Imagine him being a peanut man. Howard tells me that Elizabeth Horn is the "Fat Lady" of the circus. Now I thought she would always be skinny, but it seems she has found a way of gaining weight and has had it patented. She must have overworked the method however for she weighs five hundred forty pounds. — *Grace Bellamy* Prophet

Last Will and Testament

We, the Senior Class of Dante High School, in the city of Dante, State of Virginia, on this 31st. day of March in the year of our Lord 1939, being of a sound mind and generous disposition, do hereby make and publish this, our last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills and promising never to make another.

1st.--To our beloved sponser Miss. Muse, we want to extend our good will and many thanks for the aid and interest she has shown in us this year.

2nd.--To the I.T.A., who by their untiring efforts has made it possible for us to have a better school system, we express our thanks and deepest appreciation, and wish for them success in every undertaking.

3rd.--We will to the faculty our love and esteem, and wish for them the best in everything.

4th.--The following articles we bequeath to the Juniors.

A--Our two (2) privileges and the hope that you get more next year.

B--The management of the Dante Hi News, and we wish you the best of luck in publishing the paper.

C--We leave to you our shining trophy. Shine this every day, but don't rub too hard. The finish might come off.

D--We will to the Juniors our Senior dignity and poise. Wear it well so that all will say you are worthy successors of the Class of "39".

5th.--Lucille Allen and Howard Sproles will their ability to always come in late to Marie Ring and Bob Harr. Fred Foxx leaves his weekly trips to St. Paul to Henry Linser, provided Ada Stickly will let Henry go. Noble Thomas wills her art of vamping, which fortunately no one takes seriously, to Thelma Wolbrooks. John Anderson wills his English IV book to Mr. Coleman, who never had one. Myers Fox bequeaths his out-standing brilliance in French to E. J. Gillenwater, with the hope that he will be successful. Margaret Turner leaves the funny way of fixing her hair to Mary E. Thompson. Jim Stewart leaves his wise cracks to Alex Sabo with the hope that he will use them at the right time.

6th.--To our Alma Mater, we leave our reverence, sincerest affection, and hopes for a brilliant future and always a better Dante High.

Signed, sealed and declared by the Senior Class of 1939, as our last will and testament on this 31st. day of March, 1939

Witnesses Thereto

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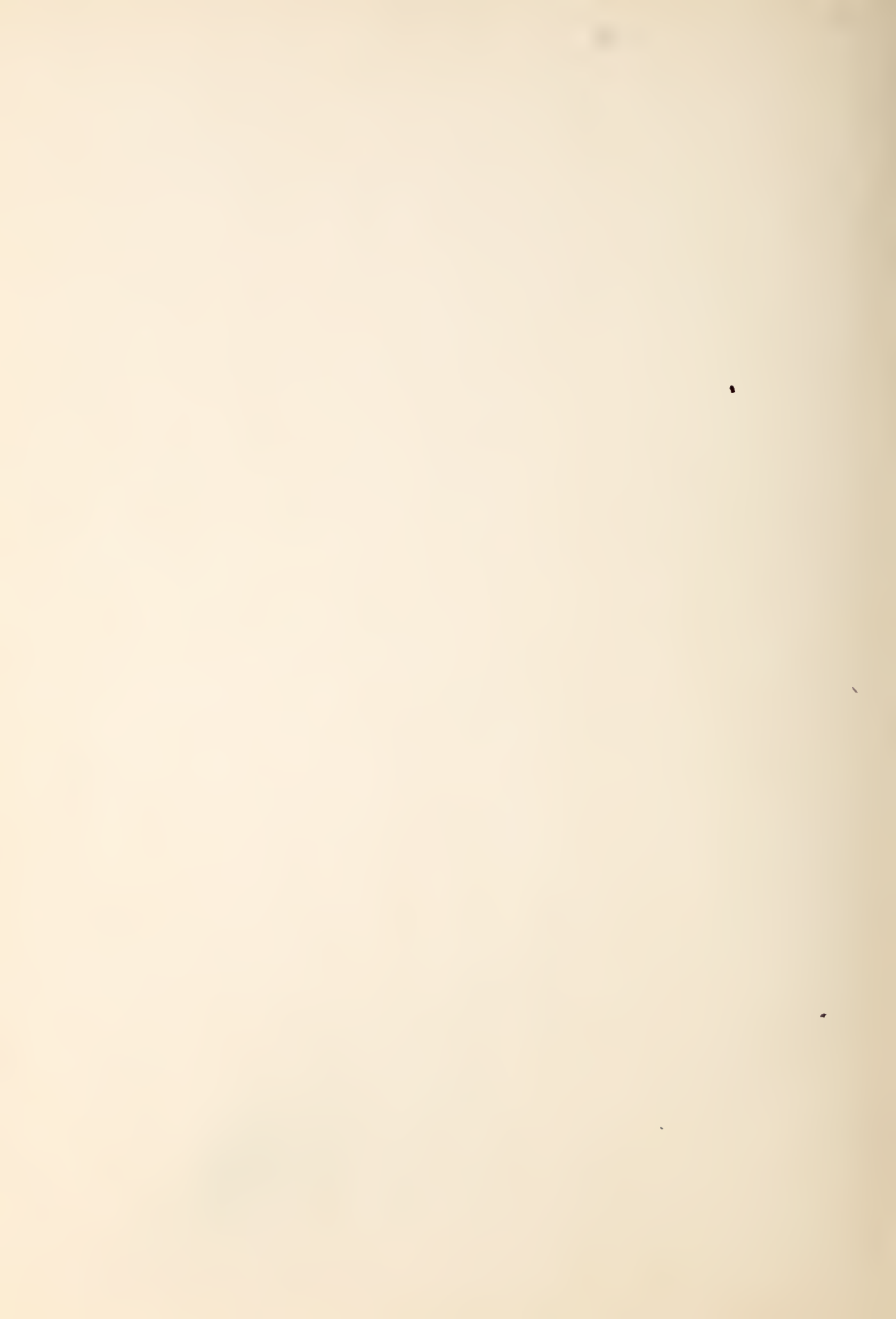
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